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# HUERTA DENYS WILSON'S RIGHT TO DICTATE TO HIM

And Contends That He Has No Legal Right to Accede to Wilson's Demand.

JOHN LIND GOES BACK

To the City of Mexico to Culminate Negotiations with That Country.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) MEXICO CITY, Nov. 7.—Provisional President Huerta's formal negative reply to the United States' demands, which was discussed in detail at last night's cabinet meeting, will set forth that the United States has no right, legal or otherwise, to demand General Huerta's elimination. This statement was given out today from one of the departments of the Mexican government.

The reply, it is said, will also point out that Huerta has no legal right to accede to the demands. The information says it was decided to incorporate in the reply a declaration that General Huerta intends to increase the Mexican army to 500,000 men.

The final stages of the negotiations between Mexico and the United States are to be participated in personally at short range by John Lind. The series of delays in Provisional President Huerta's formal answer to the United States and the lack of definite action which would indicate his attitude in face of the demands made have been annoying to Lind. It was known that negotiations had been conducted in an indirect manner, not following the ordinary diplomatic course and Mr. Lind's sudden appearance in the federal capital is assumed to be due to his desire to bring things quickly to a clearly defined point.

NO DIRECT ORDERS TO LIND ARE GIVEN.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 7.—John Lind's unexpected return to Mexico City is understood here to have been without direct orders from Washington but in line with the general instructions under which he has been enjoying the greatest freedom of movement. This latest development in the Mexican situation was surrounded by a great deal of reticence here. It was pointed out as probable that he may be acting on a belief that important developments may be expected.

JOHN LIND IS POSING FOR SOME SNAP SHOTS.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) MEXICO CITY, Nov. 7.—Mr. Lind had not notified anybody that he was coming to the Mexican capital. The staff of the United States embassy learned the news from the morning papers. Only one of the clerks of the embassy went to the station to meet him. As Mr. Lind stepped from the train he consented to pose for several photographers but to all inquiries by reporters he made non-committal replies thus maintaining the reputation for taciturnity which he earned on his previous trip.

TRAGIC SITUATION IS IN MEXICO ROME SAYS.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) ROME, Nov. 7.—Commenting on the Mexican situation today, the Giornale d'Italia says: "The horizon is dark over Mexico. The situation is becoming tragic. Intervention is unpopular and is not desired by the United States but it is difficult to avoid as Provisional President Huerta will not yield."

SCOUT CRUISER CHESTER IS PREPARED FOR WAR.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 7.—The scout cruiser, Chester, prepared for any emergency sailed from Philadelphia today for Vera Cruz. There was no ceremony in connection with her going but a crowd of several thousand workmen, idle at the noon hour, and other persons in the yard at the time, saw the swift warship drop anchor and slowly warp herself into mid-stream. Before sailing, Captain Moffett said he expected to reach his destination sometime Monday night. The scout cruiser, which is equipped with the most powerful wireless apparatus on any ship in the American navy, is heavily loaded with provisions for three months and a large amount of ammunition.

NEW HAMPSHIRE GOES TO PORT OF VERA CRUZ.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) WASHINGTON, Nov. 7.—Under orders from Rear Admiral Fletcher, commanding the squadron in the Gulf of Mexico, the battleship, New Hampshire, is steaming to Vera Cruz from Tampico. With her arrival eight American men-of-war will be assembled off Vera Cruz. Officials here give no reason for sending the New Hampshire. Admiral Fletcher gave the order without instructions from the navy department.

MARINES ARE ORDERED TO PREPARE THEMSELVES.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Nov. 7.—Orders were received from Washington today for 200 of the 300 marines, stationed at the Portsmouth navy

## DIAZ IS ARRESTED FOR SHOOTING MAN

Charge Made That He Wounded Fellow and Handed Revolver to a Friend.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) HAVANA, Nov. 7.—General Felix Diaz was arrested today and accused of shooting Pedro Guerrero, the young Mexican wounded by a bullet during last night's altercation in the course of which Diaz was wounded slightly.

General Diaz is said to have handed the revolver to one of his companions after he had shot Guerrero and seriously wounded him. Guerrero was the man who had stabbed Diaz with a knife. His condition is serious.

## SUFFRAGETS

Are Making Decisive Efforts to Induce British Government to Let Women Vote.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) LONDON, Nov. 7.—Decisive efforts are being made to induce the British government to come to an agreement with the suffragets, whereby a measure for the enfranchisement of women can be made a part of the official program of the Liberal party. Some of the suffragist leaders declare that this movement has obtained considerable headway. It is known that the government will consider only a compromise based on an unqualified repudiation of the Woman's Social and Political Union and all its militant methods.

PAYS FOR SLAPPING NEIGHBOR.

George Carrothers, of Locust street, paid a fine of \$5 and costs Thursday night in Magistrate G. H. Gordon's court for slapping Mrs. Eva Griffith, wife of J. E. Griffith, a next door neighbor, when the family had a quarrel resulting from a fight between their children.

AGAINST DISSOLUTION.

PARKERSBURG, Nov. 7.—A committee of fifty business and working men has issued a call for a mass meeting next Wednesday for the purpose of obtaining signatures to a petition to the government asking it to withdraw its suits for the dissolution of the United States Steel Corporation.

## CREATION OF FUND FOR IDLE WORKMEN

By Assessment and Otherwise is Suggested by Free Employment Bureau Official.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) LACROSSE, Wis., Nov. 7.—Payment of a working man when out of a job from a fund to be created, partly by assessment upon him during his season of plenty and partly by state aid, was advocated by W. M. Lelerson, superintendent of the Wisconsin Free Employment Bureau, in a speech at the closing session of the State Conference on Charities and Corrections.

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## REPORT

Of the Committee on Bridges is Ready to Go to the City Council.

A sub-committee of the general bridge committee is working today on the matter of rights of way for the proposed Sixth street bridge and it had its last meeting at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

The general committee at a meeting last night ascertained by a report made by Dudley D. Britt, city engineer, that a concrete bridge could be built at Fourth street for \$75,000 and the Sixth street steel bridge for something more than \$30,000.

The committee then upon motion of V. L. Highland adopted the following report to be made to the council this evening, conditioned upon liberal grants of rights of way, as it will be impossible to build the Sixth street bridge unless rights of way there can be procured at practically no cost:

"Clarksburg, W. Va., November 6, 1913. 'To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council: 'Gentlemen:

"The undersigned committee, which was appointed by the mayor to investigate and make recommendations concerning the construction of a bridge or bridges across Elk creek to Glen Elk, respectfully report that after a careful investigation, they believe the city should construct the following bridges:

"First, a concrete bridge with a twenty-six foot roadway and eight-foot walk on each side should be constructed at Fourth street.

"Second, a steel bridge of the general character of that at the east end of Main street connecting the Goff addition should be constructed at Sixth street.

"The engineers estimate that the two bridges will cost approximately \$110,000.00 and the committee is informed that the city can borrow \$110,000.00 upon its bonds without exceeding the limit fixed by law.

"Your committee would recommend the construction of the two bridges outlined, and that funds be raised for

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Wisconsin Free Employment Bureau, in a speech at the closing session of the State Conference on Charities and Corrections.

To equalize further the labor market, which sometimes is over supplied and sometimes cannot supply the demand, the speaker urged that all public works, except the most imperative, be postponed to the period of stagnation which he said could always be counted upon to follow periods of extra activity in industry.

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## SECOND SERMON

Of a Series on the Bible to Be Given Here Will Be Delivered Coming Sunday.

Dr. F. A. Hall, of Indianapolis, Ind., is the second speaker on the series of I. B. S. A. Bible lectures being given here. His theme will be "Christ's Second Coming, Why? How? When?" This is a question concerning which there is much interest. The speaker is said to be a very able man, positive in his convictions, and forceful in his expressions. The purpose of the I. B. S. A. public lectures is claimed to be an awakening of Bible study in the



home. Those who never brush the dust from their Bibles except when the census man calls will do well to sit up and take notice. A hearty invitation is extended to all to attend this lecture. All seats are free and everyone will be welcome.

## BIG SUCCESS

Is the Entertainment Given By Parsons-Souders Company with Throngs Present.

As a forerunner to a big Thanksgiving sale, which opened this morning, the Parsons-Souders Company entertained about 3,000 persons at its store on Main street Thursday evening. The basement stores of cut glass, china, rugs, carpets, draperies, etc., were thrown open to the public and the crowds thronged the store and many were the favorable comments heard regarding the beautiful display.

The basement could not accommodate the crowds and many of them were entertained on the main and upper floors.

Each lady in attendance was given a piece of china as a souvenir of the occasion which was one that will not soon be forgotten.

An excellent musical program was rendered by the Cadena orchestra. Nearly as large a crowd thronged the store during the day, today, which is the opening day of the Thanksgiving sale and many bargains were to be found in all departments of the store.

## ADDRESS

By Clarksburg Woman in National W. C. T. U. Convention is Well Received.

At the national Woman's Christian Temperance Union convention now being held at Asbury Park, N. J., Mrs. Olandus West, president of the Clarksburg union, delivered an address Thursday on "Why Do We Want Women Favor Suffrage?" She proved herself a pleasing speaker well informed on her subject. She was also a member of the big suffrage parade held in connection with the convention.

At the convention there are more than 600 delegates in attendance representing 300,000 members of the union in the United States and representatives from thirty different countries. This has been one of the largest and most enthusiastic national conventions ever held. The keynote of the entire meeting has been "Education."

PARKERSBURG, Nov. 7.—The reappointment by S. A. Hays, internal revenue collector for West Virginia, of Thomas Padden as deputy collector at Wheeling has been confirmed by the commissioner of internal revenue and Mr. Hays has made the appointment permanent. Mr. Padden served as deputy collector temporarily.

## DIAZ'S WOUNDS ARE NOT AT ALL SERIOUS

Recovers His Composure in Hospital But Can Tell But about Attack on Him.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) HAVANA, Cuba, Nov. 7.—General Felix Diaz recovered his com-

# RETRACTIONS ARE MADE TO GOVERNOR HATFIELD

## BREWERS TO HELP ENFORCE THE LAW

By Making Contributions of Money in Hope of Amendment's Early Repeal.

West Virginia brewers will make no attempt to fight the enforcement of the prohibition amendment, when it goes into effect July 1 of next year. On the other hand not a few of them lend their strongest efforts toward assisting in carrying it into effect.

C. F. Rathbone, of Parkersburg, field deputy on the staff of State Tax Commissioner Fred O. Blue, expressed an opinion to that effect during the course of a discussion of the amendment at the Waldo hotel today.

"It seems to be the opinion," he said, "that through a strict enforcement of the prohibition law lies the only means of starting a reactionary wave of sentiment through which the amendment might be repealed. Acting on that assumption I understand that several of the biggest brewers in the state will contribute to a fund intended to assist in the strictest enforcement of the law."

"However, I do not think outside help will be needed. Even should the county authorities fail to maintain the provisions of the measures as they are written, the state tax commission will see to it that a relentless war is waged on any attempt at illicit traffic. Commissioner Blue is very pronounced in his views on what methods must be adopted, a stand that is coincided in by every man in the department. Furthermore, we have the most stringent law of this kind ever passed. Therefore, it is safe to say that 'Prohibition Will Prevail' in West Virginia as it never has anywhere else."

"How about the possibilities of a contest on the constitutionality of the amendment?" he was asked.

"There will be none," was his reply. "All this talk of carrying the fight to the supreme court is 'chimney talk.' The only grounds it could be based on would be that under the constitution an amendment could not be passed without being first approved by the legislature. That, however, would not effect the amendment. The only decision the supreme court could return, and on this we are advised by some of the greatest lawyers in the state, is that the liquor business has been flourishing illegally ever since the amendment was adopted, but in no wise would the future effect of the measure be detracted from. It would be just as much a law then as it was when adopted."

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## STRIKE

Of the Carmen of Traction System in Indianapolis Ties Up Lines at Richmond.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 7.—Indianapolis will not be placed under martial law and the entire state militia that was brought here yesterday for strike duty, will remain in its present quarters as long as there is a possibility of settling the street car strike. This announcement was made by Governor Ralston after he had conferred with both sides to controversy early today. "I am very hopeful of having this trouble settled by arbitration," he said, "and as long as there is a possibility of bringing this about I shall not place the troops in control of the city."

Everything was quiet on the streets this morning and there was no demonstration of any consequence made against the troops during the night. Robert I. Todd, president of the traction company, said no effort would be made to start the cars until the governor gave the word. After the labor leaders today had refused a proposition to which the street car company had agreed as a basis for settling the strike, Governor Ralston drew up a new statement and submitted it to the company and the labor leaders.

The new statement differs from yesterday's plan for a settlement in that it does not demand the surrender of the union charter and the withdrawal of outside labor leaders from the state. Governor Ralston is hopeful of the success of his plan in ending the strike, which began a week ago tonight.

## RICHMOND LINES ARE ALSO TIED UP BY STRIKE.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS) RICHMOND, Ind., Nov. 7.—The Richmond street car service was tied up this morning by a strike of motormen and conductors but there was no disturbance in the early hours of the strike. The men demand more money. Interurban cars continued in operation. The Richmond car lines are a part of the Terra Haute, Indianapolis

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Of Libelous Articles by Walker, Summers and the Huntington Advertiser.

AND PRAISE GIVEN HIM

As Well as Assurances That He Will Have Heartiest Support as Governor.

CHARLESTON, Nov. 7.—With the assertion that the damage suits he had instituted against S. W. Walker, chairman of the Democratic State Committee, and George W. Summers, of the Press Bureau of the Democratic State Committee, were not prompted by any desire for financial gain but for the purpose of vindicating himself from the foul slanders heaped upon him in the heat of the last campaign, in an article published in the Cincinnati Enquirer, Governor Hatfield has made public letters received from Walker and Summers in which they disclaim any responsibility for the publication of the article and publicly assert that the charges made could not be substantiated in fact.

In view of the open statements from the active head of the Democratic state organization and the director of the press bureau, asserting their disbelief of the statements contained in the article, Governor Hatfield feels that he has been entirely vindicated and has no desire to push the damage suits for any personal gain. Accordingly, he has instructed his attorney to dismiss the action.

At the same time the governor gave out an editorial published by the Huntington Advertiser, under the date of November 5, in which the Advertiser makes a public retraction and apology to the governor for the malicious charges made against him during the campaign, and asserts after a thorough investigation of the charges that they were found to be untrue and that a grave injustice was done to the governor in the publication of these charges. The governor will also take the same attitude toward this case and inasmuch as the public retraction vindicates him, he will also order the dismissal of this suit.

Governor Hatfield asserted that his action in bringing the damage suits was with the hope that it would result in better protection for other candidates in the future and that they should not be subjected to the same baseless, malicious charges which were hurled at him by the Democratic press during the last campaign. Both Mr. Walker and Mr. Summers give expression in their letters to a desire to see an elimination of these attacks in future campaigns and are seemingly in sympathy with the aims of Governor Hatfield in this regard. The governor has received letters from many other sources indicating that his efforts in this direction are worthy of praise and the general citizenship of the state seems to have been aroused to a strong protest over these campaign methods.

It will be recalled that during the last campaign the damage suits were hurled at the Republican-Progressive candidate for governor by the Democratic press of this state and as the climax of this campaign of slander and misrepresentation an article was published a few days before the election on the front page of the Cincinnati Enquirer, in which many libelous and untruthful statements concerning the public and private record of Governor Hatfield were made. The evidence gathered in tracing down the source of the article indicated that Chairman Walker and George W. Summers, of the Democratic State Committee, were responsible for the publication of the statements, and suit for \$50,000 damages was filed by Governor Hatfield against Walker and Summers in the circuit court of Wood county.

The suit had been set for trial at the October term of court following the overruling of a demurrer by the defendants by Judge McDougal at a recent session.

The letters from Walker and Summers and the editorial retraction published in the Huntington Advertiser are as follows:

Office of Faulkner and Walker, Martinsburg, W. Va., September 17, 1913. Governor, Charleston, W. Va.

My dear Governor: I desire to state to you my attitude and position in reference to an article published in the Cincinnati Enquirer of October 26, 1912, containing personal references to your character and your political record, and which is the basis of a damage suit brought by you against Mr. George W. Summers and myself, now pending in the circuit court of Wood county.

I want to give you earnest assurance of my disapproval of the publication of this article. I do not believe the charges therein can be substantiated in fact, and it necessarily follows that the publication of untruthful statements is libelous. I had no knowledge of the preparation of this article, and was in no wise responsible for its publication. Had I been in Parkersburg on the day in which the article was published in the Cincinnati Enquirer, I would have asked permission from you to appear on the rostrum with you at